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- On 21 March 1951, 3,000 troops of the "Sino-Vietnamese Volunteer Army" crossed the China-Indochina border into Indochina via Shui Kou Kuan (106-34, 22-73). An additional 5,000 troops have been ordered to move to Chen Pien (105-50, 23-24), Ching Hsi (106-25, 23-09) and Lung Chi (sic), preparatory to crossing the border at the proper time. These troops are well equipped with automatic weapons and more than 20 tanks.
- Soviet military advisors are serving on the staff of CHULNG Tien, Commander of the "Sino-Vietnamese Volunteer army", * and Commander of the Kwangsi-Yunnan-Kweichow Border Column.

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Comment. CHUANG Tien has previously been reported as Deputy Commander of the Chinese People's Anti-French and Support Indochina 25X1A Volunteer Army, | The "Sino-Vietnamese Volunteer Army" possibly refers to this army.

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